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curved back to the ground, and there the tip had taken root and a new erect shoot, about a foot long and bearing several leaves, had sprung up. I cannot find that such rooting of the tip of branches, common enough in some plants, has been previously recorded for this species or indeed of any Indian Desmodium.

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## No. XXV.—ABERRATION IN SCALES OF REGROWN TAIL OF AGAMA TUBERCULATA, GREY.

That lizards have the power of regrowing a lost tail is of course well known, but it is perhaps worth while to record that in the case of Agama tuberculata the regrown portion does not present the normal arrangement of scales. Normally the scales of the tail are regularly verticillate, but in two specimens (both  $\mathcal{J}$ ) secured in North-West Himalayas the scales of the regrown portion were irregularly imbricate, contrasting sharply with the undamaged part. The tail apparently does not grow again to its full size, as in both the above specimens the tail bore a much smaller proportion to the length from snout to vent than was the case with perfect ones.

DEHRA DUN, 15th July 1907. C. E. C. FISCHER.

No. XXVI.—NOTE ON THE BREEDING OF SNAKES IN CAPTIVITY. In continuation of the Note on the above subject printed at page 808, Vol. XVII, of the Society's Journal, the following may be of interest.

From the table it will be seen that 4 cobras have presented us with eggs, during the month of May, and two Russell's vipers with young ones, in June or July. This corresponds with the usual times previously reported.

| Registered<br>Number. |     | Kind of<br>Snake. | Date of arrival. | Number of ergs and date.  | From what<br>place received. |
|-----------------------|-----|-------------------|------------------|---|------------------------------|
| 452<br>454<br>460     |     | Do                | 18th " …         | 16 on 18th May 1907.<br>18 on 10th ,,<br>12 on 22nd ,,                  | Do.                          |
| 465                   | ••• | Do                | 10th May 1907    | 16 on 18th "  | Do.                          |
| 114                   |     | R. Viper          | 5th March 1907.  | 16 young ones.<br>13 alive, 3 dead, on<br>17th June 1907.               | Kirkee.                      |
| 115                   |     | Do                | 4th June 1907    | Aborted 39 eggs with<br>one full grown em-<br>bryo on 5th July<br>1907. | Khandwa.                     |